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1. On 26 August 1950 a German employed in the barracks of Rossau-Weinsdorf (M 52/E 17) stated that all of the equipment from the storage buildings of the installation was trucked to Zorbst (M 52/D 98) to furnish quarters for new troops. After the engineer equipment was reconditioned the Germans employed by the engineer troops were discharged. The exercise at the water training area has been completed. *
2. Twenty-one trucks left Rossau toward Dessau on 26 August 1950 carrying equipment, furniture, tent equipment and, presumably ammunition also. **
3. A convoy of six to eight tank trucks went from Dessau to Rossau on 27 August 1950. *

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25X1A * Comment. The information agrees with the report of another source who reported on 27 August 1950 that the engineer units of the GOFG in Rossau would move to another post in September 1950, releasing the barracks for other units. See [redacted]. The present report states that the engineer units were going to Zorbst. It still appears doubtful that engineer units have been withdrawn from the former German engineer school, the facilities of which are particularly suitable for the training of engineer troops.

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25X1A ** An element of the 7th Gds Tank Div according to the motor vehicle series. The movement may have been the first indication that elements of this division were returning to the post from the "erder-Markendorf maneuver area. A previous report stated that the troops were expected to return during the first week of September 1950. See [redacted]

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